# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## **DOCKET NO. 2007-358-E**

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Duke Energy Carolinas,	)	
LLC for Approval of Energy Efficiency	)	PETITION TO INTERVENE
Plan Including an Energy Efficiency Rider	)	
And Portfolio of Energy Efficiency Programs	)	

Wal-Mart Stores East, LP ("Wal-Mart") hereby petitions the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") pursuant to R.103-825 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations to intervene and be made a party of record in the above-captioned docket. Wal-Mart states the following grounds in support of its petition:

- 1. Wal-Mart owns and operates retail stores within Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's ("Duke") service territory. Therefore, Wal-Mart purchases large quantities of electricity from Duke, which is a significant portion of Wal-Mart's cost of operations. Wal-Mart has a direct and material interest in the issues to be addressed and resolved by the Commission in this docket, and these interests cannot be adequately represented by another party in this proceeding.
- 2. At this stage of the proceeding, Wal-Mart does not have sufficient information to determine what positions it will take.
  - 3. Wal-Mart's mailing address is:

Wal-Mart Stores East LP., a Delaware Limited Partnership Sam M. Walton Development Complex 2001 SE 10th Street Bentonville, AR 72716-0550

4. Wal-Mart is represented by the law firm of Jenkins at Law, LLC in certain matters regarding its electric rates and service. Pursuant to Rule 103-804 T.(1)(b) of the

Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Jenkins at Law, LLC will associate with Rob Tyson of the law firm Sowell Gray Stepp & Laffitte, LLC of Columbia, South Carolina, local counsel licensed to practice in South Carolina. Service and correspondence regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

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- 5. Wal-Mart expects to present the testimony of Mr. Steve W. Chriss, who will need approximately one (1) hour to present his direct testimony.
- 6. Granting Wal-Mart's request to be made a party of record in this proceeding is in the public interest, is consistent with the policies of the Commission in encouraging maximum public participation in issues before it, and should be allowed so that a full and complete record addressing its views and concerns may be developed.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, Wal-Mart respectfully requests permission to intervene in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing **Petition to Intervene** in Docket No. 2007-358-E upon the following persons by causing copies of the same to be emailed (where applicable) and placed in an envelope with adequate postage affixed thereon and deposited in the United States Mail addressed as follows:

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